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Summary Information

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Biographical Note

Sylvester Scott Gorby was born in Morgan (now Noble) County, Ohio February 5, 1848 to Thomas and Mary E. Dean. Gorby and was one of two children. He was graduated from the University of Missouri at Columbia. He worked in the west for many years as a civil engineer for the federal government. He was the Indiana State Geologist from 1888-1901 and he and his family lived in Franklin, Indiana. He authored a number of maps and donated geological items to the Franklin College.

He was married twice, first to Louieranna [Anna] Boston in Orange County, Indiana on October 28, 1869, and they had at least seven children. After her death, he married Mary Young Renfro, of Cave City, Kentucky to where he had relocated after he left State of Indiana employment in 1901. He worked as a consulting mining engineer in Kentucky and died October 7, 1930. He is buried in the Greenlawn Cemetery, city and state unspecified.

"Gorby, Sylvester S.". Ind. Biog. Ser. v.4, p. 287. Print.

"Gorby, Sylvester S.". Indiana, Marriage Collection, 1800-1941. Retrieved 2015/01/09. http://search.ancestrylibrary.com

"Gorby, Sylvester S.". (1893). Pictorial and biographical memoirs of Indianapolis and Marion County, Indiana. Chicago: Goodspeed Brothers, Publishers. (p. 307). Print. ISLI 977.201 M341

Scope and Contents

This collection includes autographed, signed letters from Sylvester S. Gorby in Indianapolis, IN ranging from 1891/05/27 to 1891/06/03 regarding stone samples submitted for quality inspection prior to bridge building.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged chronologically.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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- Indianapolis (Ind.)

Subject(s)

- Bridges--Design and construction
- Geology